

HOUSING FOR ACCEPTANCE OF A VEHICLE AIRBAG MODULE

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] This application is a National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/011909, filed on 24 October 2004. The entire disclosure of the above application is incorporated herein by reference.

FIELD

[0002] The invention relates to a housing for acceptance of a vehicle airbag module according to the introductory section of Claim 1.

BACKGROUND

[0003] Such a housing is known for example, from US 5,342,082. This housing is provided with side walls and a section for accommodation of a gas generator by means of which an airbag is inflated if an accident occurs to the vehicle which requires retention of the passengers. An interior cladding element such as, for example, a cover hood can be attached at the end of the housing away from the gas generator.

[0004] Such retention devices are normally designed in such a way that the gas generator is only activated in order to inflate the airbag when a predetermined seriousness of accident is sensed. For this reason there is a need to design this retention device in an advantageous manner also for such cases of retention which occur with relatively low vehicle deceleration. To this